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BY JONATHAN SHARP

PEKING, 1 JULY, 1, REUTER -- U.S. SENATOR HENRY JACKSON, ARRIVING IN PEKING TODAY FOR A SIX-DAY VISIT, SAID HE FAVORED A MORE RAPID AMERICAN APPROACH TOWARDS FULL RECOGNITION OF CHINA.

THE SENATOR AND HIS PARTY OF 10 WERE GREETED AT PEKING'S CAPITAL AIRPORT BY MR DAVID BRUCE, WHO HEADS THE AMERICAN LIAISON OFFICE IN PEKING. THE OFFICE OPENED LAST YEAR ALTHOUGH WASHINGTON AND PEKING HAVE NO FORMAL DIPLOMATIC TIES.

SENATOR JACKSON, A DEMOCRATIC HOPEFUL FOR THE 1976 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION, WAS ASKED BY REPORTERS WHAT HE WOULD DO ON THE RECOGNITION ISSUE IF HE WERE PRESIDENT.

"I THINK WE SHALL, AND MUST, MOVE TOWARDS AN EARLY RECOGNITION OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC," HE SAID.

"THERE ARE THINGS THAT HAVE TO BE RESOLVED ALONG THE WAY. BUT I WOULD FAVOR A MORE EXPEDITIOUS APPROACH IN THAT DIRECTION."

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JACKSON 2 PEKING:

REFERRING TO U.S. SUPPORT AND RECOGNITION FOR TAIWAN, A MAJOR OBSTACLE IN THE WAY OF UPGRADING WASHINGTON-PEKING RELATIONS, THE SENATOR SAID WASHINGTON WOULD CONTINUE TO HONOR ITS COMMITMENTS TO TAIWAN.

HE ADDED: "I THINK THERE CAN BE SOLUTIONS THAT CAN BE WORKED OUT THAT WOULD MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR EARLY RECOGNITION BY OUR GOVERNMENT IN AN AMBASSADORIAL SENSE OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC."

QUESTIONED ON HIS WISH TO SEE CHINA EVENTUALLY INVOLVED IN US-USSR ARMS AGREEMENTS, THE SENATOR SAID THIS WAS ONE AREA HE WANTED TO EXPLORE IN HIS TALKS WITH CHINESE LEADERS.

HE SAID THAT OTHER TOPICS HE WANTED TO DISCUSS WERE WASHINGTON'S ASSOCIATION WITH THE NORTH ATLANTIC COMMUNITY, THE MIDDLE EAST, THE INDIAN OCEAN, THE FAR EAST AND JAPAN.

SENATOR JACKSON'S STAUNCH SUPPORT FOR MAINTAINING PRESENT AMERICAN TROOP LEVELS IN WESTERN EUROPE IS WITHOUT DOUBT APPRECIATED IN CHINA, WHICH WANTS TO SEE A STRONG WESTERN EUROPE AS A BARRIER TO SOVIET AMBITIONS.

QUALIFIED OBSERVERS HERE EXPECT THE SENATOR, WHO IS THE FIRST AMERICAN CONGRESSMAN TO VISIT CHINA FOR A YEAR AND THE FIRST TO BE INVITED INDIVIDUALLY, WILL HAVE A MEETING WITH PREMIER CHOU EN-LAI, DESPITE MR CHOU'S RECENT ILLNESS.

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